HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Monday, November 15, 1999

The House met at 2 p.m.

The Reverend Father Paul Lavin, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

In the words of the prophet Isaiah we hear:

If you remove from your midst oppression, false accusation and malicious speech; if you bestow your bread on the hungry and satisfy the afflicted; then light shall rise for you in the darkness, and the gloom shall become for you like midday; then the Lord will guide you always and give you plenty even on the parched land.

Let us pray:

Lord, we stand before You conscious of our sinfulness. Come to us, remain with us, and enlighten our hearts. Give us light and strength to know Your will, to make it our own, and to live it in our lives. You desire justice for all: enable us to uphold the rights of others. May all of our decisions be pleasing to You. And may the gifts of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit unite us in faith, hope and love, now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. PEASE) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. PEASE led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, an-

nounced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1916. An act to extend certain expiring Federal Aviation Administration authorizations for a 6-month period, and for other purposes.

HOUR OF MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mr. PEASE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow, November 16, 1999, for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Indiana?

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Mr. PEASE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday next.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Indiana?

There was no objection.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Dreier) at 10 o'clock and 46 minutes p.m.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 2454. An act to assure the long-term conservation of mid-continent light geese and the biological diversity of the ecosystem upon which many North American migratory birds depend, by directing the Secretary of the Interior to implement rules to reduce the overabundant population of mid-continent light geese.

H.R. 2724. An act to make technical corrections to the Water Resources Development Act of 1999.

BILL AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee did on the following dates present to the President, for his approval, a bill and joint resolutions of the House of the following titles:

On November 9, 1999:

H.R. 3122. To permit the enrollment in the House of Representatives Child Care Center of children of Federal employees who are not employees of the legislative branch.

H.J. Res. 54. Granting the consent of Congress to the Missouri-Nebraska Boundary Compact.

On November 10, 1999:

H.J. Res. 78. Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2000, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 47 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, November 16, 1999, at 10:30 a.m., for morning hour debates.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for official foreign travel during the first, second, and third quarters of 1999 by Committees of the U.S. House of Representatives are as follows: